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Application No. 09/809,009  
Customer No. 22,852

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Continuation Application of: )  
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Jean-Marc ASCIONE et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1751  
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Application No.: 09/809,009 ) Examiner: E. Elhilo  
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Filed: March 16, 2001 )  
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For: COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING )  
AT LEAST TWO ANIONIC )  
ASSOCIATIVE POLYMERS AND )  
THEIR USE FOR A )  
STABILIZATION OF AN )  
OXIDIZING SOLUTION )

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Sir:

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In reply to the Office Action dated February 14, 2003, the period for reply having been extended one month to June 14, 2003, by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and reexamination of the claims in view of the following remarks.

**Remarks**

**I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-65 are pending in this application. No claims have been amended.

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